

Randolph Township Trustees Regular Meeting Thursday, January 24, 2013

Chairman Roger Klodt opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge. Roger stated that he reviewed the previous meeting draft minutes and found them to be accurate. He asked if there were any corrections or additions. Mike moved to accept the previous meeting minutes as written. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes. Present: Trustees Roger Klodt, Mike Lang, Sue White, FO Mary Rodenbucher, D. Kolasky, L. Klodt, D. Rice, J. Presley, G. Harrison, D. Werbeck

Old Business

Roger spoke about a discussion he had with Darrin about the Waterloo Hot Stove use of the Moyer Field field house. Roger read a letter from the Hot Stove. Mike feels the inspection of rest room is a good idea with Dan and one trustee and send letter to Hot Stove. Roger suggested taking pictures. Mike suggested Dan and same trustee at end of season. Roger has key to restroom to open for games. The rest rooms would be closed at other times unless Dan rents the pavilion. Roger suggested having Dan and one trustee inspect the morning of the rental. Darrin is willing to Mike asked who will be responsible for cleaning. Darrin said they Hot Stove will clean it during the season. There was discussion about privatizing the counter. Darrin explained the process that Suffield uses. According to a Suffield Hot Stove commissioner it is the smoothest it ever ran. The Waterloo Hot Stove counter makes about \$1,000 – \$1,500 per year. Darrin stated that it is too late for Hot Stove to do it this year. Mike stated that we need to contact the prosecutor. He will investigate and have more information for the next meeting. Dan asked how the agreement will work if it is privatized. Mike and Roger stated the rest room issue will continue as it does now. Discussion will continue on the concessions stand. Mike feels the fields are for township use and feels Hot Stove should handle the use of the fields for outside use. Roger wants just one agreement with Hot Stove as has it has been for many years. Mike commented that the Hot Stove is a good program and feels it does not need to have a travel program. Mike moved to allow use of the baseball field at Moyer Fields and the School Park as playable and available under the control of Waterloo Hot Stove. Roger seconded. Discussion: Roger expects that if fields are not used, to do the right thing and let others use it. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger - yes. Larry stated that a section of fence that needs to be repaired. Darrin spoke about widening one area of fence. Mike would like to see a new coat of paint on the backstops. Roger would like to continue the light agreement as was last year. Mike agrees but feels it is not proper to do so while the issue is in litigation. Mike would like to wait since we could possibly get more use if it comes out in our favor.

Roger spoke about the Eagle Scout project for Steven Pavliga. The amount originally approved for the project was \$800.00. Steven actually spent \$1,062.55 of which \$63.00 was charged for tax which we do not pay. Roger feels we offered to use our account at Carter Lumber which is tax exempt. Roger moved to reimburse Steven the additional \$198.99. Mike seconded. Discussion: Sue thought he only asked for 800. Larry stated that this is the best Eagle Scout project for the township. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mike spoke about indigent burial. Sue asked Mike to explain. Mike stated that according to the ORC that if a resident has no money or family the township is responsible for the burial for costs only up to \$1,000. Roger asked Larry about his conversation with the funeral Home. Larry was contacted by Wood about the indigent burial. The resident lived with daughter who cannot afford it. Larry presented the itemized bill for the cremation services. Tim suggested using one grave for four cremations. Larry stated that we must provide a stone. Mike feels we can wait until all four are interred before getting a stone. Larry recalls one indigent burial many years ago with Sylvan Wise. Larry commented on two questions raised by Aaron from the funeral home regarding if the family is allowed to have the ashes. Larry feels if the township pays for it the ashes should be interred. Aaron will send example of an affidavit to send to the family to verify that they truly are not able to pay for the burial. Larry feels we need to be diligent since we are spending taxpayer money. There was discussion about several scenarios. Roger read the indigent burial policy. If the family does not claim the body we are responsible. Mike does not want to pay anything until the cremains are interred. Sue wants the family to know that the body will be buried on one lot with one stone. There was discussion about the location of the indigent grave. Mike moved to pay the charges for the indigent burial. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Sue spoke about recent resignations and appointments to the township Zoning Boards. Sue moved to accept Fred Maier's resignation; move Pat McGowan as a member to the Zoning Commission; appoint Lori Briggs as alternate on the Zoning Commission; move Mark Wise as a member to the Board of Zoning Appeals; appoint Jason Bonecutter as alternate on the Board of Zoning Appeals; and reappoint Brad Miller to the Zoning

Commission. Mike seconded. Discussion: Mike asked if Lori and Jason have the same level of experience. Sue stated that there were four good candidates. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Sue went to Commissioner's meeting this week. There was discussion about the Solid Waste Policy Update, Several cities were present and wanted roadside pick-up for everyone in the county. Sue stated that most townships do not want curbside. Sue asked the commissioners to take into account that townships are not in favor of curbside. She feels there is a risk of a great price at beginning and then the cost will escalate. Sue feels if there are tax dollars to get for Portage County we should get them. Roger commented that a township in southern Ohio with same number of drop offs as Portage County and their rate went up three fold. Roger does not like not having a choice. Mike has reservations that the cities are in favor of privatizing. Sue also met with EMA and they plan to present their proposal to the townships.

New Business

Mike has nothing at this time.

Sue would like to seek donations for a pavilion at the School Park. Mike would like restrooms or a combination of pavilion and restroom.

Roger received two letters from the Engineer. The first letter regards our township road mileage of 31.280 miles. Roger moved to approve the ODOT mileage certification of 31.280 miles of township roads. Mike seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

The second letter regards the 2012 annual bridge inspection report. Bridges are responsibility of the county not township.

Mary reported that she gave Dan a copy of an invoice for bottled water and supplies from Culligan to compare prices with Sunrise Spring. Dan commented that they are cheaper per bottle with pick-up.

Mary requested a motion appropriate receipts 4 – 14 totaling \$28,448.91 and pay warrants 34082 – 34125 and EFTs 8 - 15 totaling \$52,509.53. Sue so moved. Mike seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Larry presented the Road Department report. Larry reported on truck delivery to Waterloo School, building and road maintenance. The electric wiring has been installed to the new pressure tank in the garage. The water and gas service have been disconnected at the old house. Mike is concerned about asbestos and burning the house since it is close to the other buildings. Mike would like to have it all cleaned up by Memorial Day. Larry reported that he could not get factory running boards for the new truck at a better price so he will order from Sarchionne's tomorrow. Larry reported on the meeting with the County Engineer and ODOT regarding the maintenance of Grace Hill and McCoy Road. They would like the township to do the winter maintenance of plowing and salting both roads. Larry recommended that we begin as soon as ODOT installs a turn-around at the end of McCoy Road and to furnish 25 tons of salt. Mike agrees with Larry's recommendation. Mike moved will assume responsibility as stated for Grace Hill for plowing and salting for snow and ice and will assume maintenance of McCoy Road when a suitable turnaround is provided and 25 tons of salt per season. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger - yes.

Dan presented the Zoning Department and Trustee's Assistant report. No permits have been issued. He has been working newsletter and updating the website. He presented information from Garrettsville on their water testing program. They work with JD Environmental Consulting and the Portage County Health Department to monitor water quality for the village water system. Sue would like to check into spots for water testing. Roger is not in favor of testing private water systems. Sue stated that it would be testing aquifers which specialists know they are located.

Roger presented the Fire Department in Chief Lang's absence. Responses for December: EMS – 41; Fire – 5; MVC – 8; Inc -3; Tests – 5 for a monthly total of 62 and YTD total of 688. Chief Lang reported on membership, training, and truck/radio maintenance. An Open House Retirement Celebration honoring Andrew Hamilton and Conrad Geiger will be held on February 3rd in the Town Hall. Andy and Kony retired from the department in 2012 and were placed on honorary membership. RFD assisted the cub scouts in training for their First Aid Badge in January.

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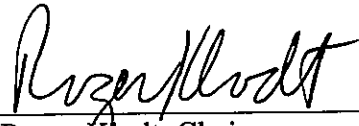
Roger read a letter from Chief Lang requesting payment for department training for three members. Sue moved to approve \$350 for Diane Bunker to attend the ITLS Ohio Emergency Care Conference and \$150 for Ryan Hall and Mark Hamilton to attend the Jackson Fire Expo. Roger seconded. Discussion: Mary asked if she should prepare the checks tomorrow. Roger stated that they would like that to meet the registration deadline. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Public Comment


Doug commented that he spoke to Andy Hill and Sen. Eklund at the school meeting about the levy. He came out of the meeting understanding that a levy is not the solution but they do not have an answer for a solution. Roger agrees with the assessment. His suggestion is for the legislature to come up with a real solution to fix the problem. Mike commented that the legislators do not do their job. Sue commented that Waterloo has done an excellent job in reducing costs. We have excellent schools and teachers. Roger commented that the three trustees do not always agree but can work together to find a solution. Mike stated most legislators do not come from communities with problems. There was discussion about state minimum standards, no funding from the state, various options to account for everyone to contribute toward the solution, and examples from different states. Mike stated that the legislators need to do their job. They can fix the problem but do not want to.

Gary spoke about the meeting also. He was not happy with most of the panel. Gary suggested putting all the legislators in a room until they find a solution. Mike feels the partisan is the problem.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.



Roger Klodt, Chairman


Mary A. Rodenbucher, Fiscal Officer